

Captain Ishtiaque elected IFALPA EVP for third consecutive term

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Dhaka: In the ongoing 75th Annual Conference of the world pilots' community International Federation of Airline Pilots Association (IFALPA), Captain Ishtiaque Hossain, a Commander of Boeing 787 Dreamliner of Biman Bangladesh Airlines has been elected as the Executive Vice President for Asia Pacific Region for the third consecutive term through the Direct Voting procedure.

The Annual Conference is being attended by 550 delegates from all over the world.

Before Capt Ishtiaque, no airline pilot of this sub-continent had been elected even for a single term in this highest professional post.

Besides Bangladesh, Capt Ishtiaque will be responsible for the aviation sector of the Asia/Pacific countries Australia, China including Hong Kong, Fiji, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Mongolia, Malaysia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Singapore, Thailand, and all the other SAARC countries and some Pacific countries.

Montreal-Canada based [International Federation of Airlines Pilots Association](#) (IFALPA) - the Global Voice of the Pilots - is an international not-for-profit organization that represents over 100,000 airline pilots in more than 100 countries.

The mission of the Federation is to promote the highest level of aviation safety worldwide and to be the global advocate of the piloting profession; providing representation, services, and support to both the member countries and the aviation industry.

It works closely with the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO), a specialized agency of the United Nations Organisation and International Labour Organisation (ILO) purely on the safety, security, and progression of the world's aviation industry at large.

Captain Ishtiaque Hossain is the only aviation personnel of the Asia and the Pacific Region who has been appointed in this prestigious position three consecutive times. He is also the First Bangladeshi who is a full member of 'International Society of Air Safety Investigators (ISASI)', the United States based sole organisation specifically created for the air safety investigators and/or the aircraft accident prevention professionals of the world.

He is one of the pioneering airline pilots of Bangladesh who has international accreditation as an 'Aircraft Accident Investigator' (AAI). Capt Ishtiaque was the Regional Vice-President Asia/West for consecutive four terms before he got elected for the post of Executive Vice President.

According to the aviation industry officials of Bangladesh, this comes as an achievement of [Biman Bangladesh Airlines](#) and the entire aviation industry of the country, especially during Bangabandhu's birth centenary and 50 years of independence.

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